

**Capital Area Human Services District Board Meeting
February 5, 2018**

Directors Present: Amy Betts, Chair; Thomas Sawyer, Vice Chair; Rev. Louis Askins; Christy Burnett; Dana Carpenter, PhD; Kathy D’Albor; Gail Hurst; Vickie King; Becky Katz; Virginia Pearson and Gary Spillman

Directors Absent: Laverne Aguillard; Gerri Hobdy; and Stacey Morales;

Executive Staff Member(s) Present: Jan Kasofsky, PhD, Executive Director

TOPIC	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
Approval of the February 5, 2018 Consent Agenda and Approval of the Minutes for January 8, 2018.	Ms. Betts	Ms. Amy Betts, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. Ms. K. D’Albor made a motion to approve the February 5, 2018, Consent Agenda and the minutes of January 8, 2018. Ms. V. Pearson seconded the motion.	There were no objections and the motion passed.
Public Comment	Ms. Betts	Ms. Betts read the Public Comment section. There was no public comment.	
Communications	Dr. Kasofsky	<p>Dr. Kasofsky reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Things are going well. We don’t know a lot about the budget situation for next year but it sounds like it’s understood there is a need for a special session. This is better than being told payments will stop for any mental health or addiction services. • Dr. Kasofsky attended the recent EBR Mayor’s Press Conference. Mayor Broome announced that EBR Parish would be filing a lawsuit against the opiate manufacturers. She stated, “They mislead the medical professionals who prescribed the opiates.” • Integrated Response 1/3 – Two years ago the International Police Chief Associations started an international movement to tie law enforcement more closely with community mental health providers. The French Settlement Deputy Police Chief wants Region 2 to be more closely aligned in working with law enforcement. His job was made easy since CAHSD started this about 12 years ago. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ CAHSD has had another meeting, under the auspices of this initiative, at the Capital. Those in attendance were a representative of the Governor’s office; Valarie Hodges, Representative; LDH; OBH; EMS and others. ➤ Dr. Kasofsky is working closely with the French Settlement Deputy Police Chief and appears that they have the attention of the Governor’s office. The focus was on identifying a group that could actually do mobile mental health services. This is happening and began several years ago in different cities in Louisiana. ➤ Dr. Kasofsky provided information about Resources for Human Development (RHD), a company that has been operating for the 	

		<p>past decade in Jefferson and in Orleans Parishes. This group can do telephonic screening and get 911 rollover calls. They have been very successful identifying who is in a behavioral Health crisis, whether police need to come in or if mental health professionals can stabilize the situation. Dr. Kasofsky met with RHD in October 2017 and has been trying to give them visibility. They are needed in this area since we do not have a mental health stabilization unit. She has connected them to the Bridge Center and BRAF. Their presence would decrease the burden of the coroner’s office to send deputies out. RHD could help determine if somebody should be under PEC or OPC when a family member has identified a need. This will be a movement that would be helpful locally to the EMS, Coroner’s Office, law enforcement, CAHSD, and the emergency and fire departments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value Based Purchasing (VBP) is in our strategic plan. Dr. Kasofsky and K. Muzik, Business Operations, will attend a seminar to learn more about VBP. CAHSD has to get wise about the cost to deliver a service, the outcomes and tying them together. In the next 2 years, if you are unable to tie this type of information together, no one will contract with you. • Police Academy Training 2/26 – 3rd year – A week of training at the Academy has been added. CAHSD is still providing officers in the field 40-hour CIT training. • Behavioral Health Collaborative scheduled for Thursday March 1st at CAHSD at 8:30 a.m. More information will be sent out soon. Mayor Broome may attend this meeting to do a proclamation. The meeting focus is the roll out of a media campaign regarding the growing opiate abuse of women & girls. This is part of a federal grant. A question/answer panel presentation will follow the program launch by a group of people who live in the parish and who are current opiate users. This session will focus on what someone would want to find in a treatment program and identify barriers to getting treatment aside from not wanting it. A second session was added at the request of LDH, DOC for opioid abuse treatment for attendees. • BR Mental Health Association is sponsoring a 2 day training March 8-9 around opiate abuse in this community. Dr. Kasofsky is the introductory speaker at the Tracey Center. It is open to all, and is free. Dr. Kasofsky will also be on a panel discussion with Dr. Clark, the EBR Coroner to discuss responses to the opioid epidemic. • The Reentry Coalition is a statewide group that focuses on helping people transition successfully from jail. Dr. Kasofsky and Sheidra Boutte’ are sharing presentation time at their annual meeting. Dr. 	
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BR Clinic	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAHSD has begun providing services at the Baton Rouge Clinic (BRC) and it’s going well. The services are not available to all Clinic MD’s at this time. • Dr. Kasofsky received a call from Jennifer Steel, LA Medicare because she heard about the program with BCBS at BRC. She wants to discuss CAHSD doing a similar program with Medicare. A conference call has been scheduled with Dr. Brandt, BR clinic Medical Director; K. Muzik; Dr. Kasofsky; and Jennifer Steel. 	
Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AOT Conf. 2/23 – Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) - Judge Don Johnson supports AOT. Dr. Kasofsky explained that the law from 2008 has been revised with input from mental health lawyers, OBH, the Advocacy Center, family members, all Human Service District directors, and CAHSD staff including John Nosacka who does police training. J. Nosacka attended a federal program to learn about AOT and has worked with Judge Don Johnson to revise the AOT law to more usable. Senator Barrow has agreed to sponsor the revised bill. 	
Child Clinic Outdoor Waiting Area	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky stated that due to the possibility of CAHSD moving, plans have changed regarding the construction of an outdoor waiting area. Ms. Pearson had previously offered to do fund raising for the outdoor waiting area but Dr. Kasofsky is concerned about the potential move. She doesn’t want to accept donations that we may need to walk away from. Since CAHSD is not supposed to get mid/late year cuts, Dr. Kasofsky said the new plan is to work with Bldg. & Grounds, to have them clear out the area, remove the brush, and build a fence that would meet the privacy needs for HIPAA creating an outdoor area. CAHSD could take the moveable playground equipment purchased if we moved. 	
Bridge Center	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky has attended 2 meetings. She was asked to chair the selection committee to hire a project manager. The plan Emergent group developed for them, in terms of connecting different providers in the community, would be used. Dr. Kasofsky recommended hiring a contract project manager instead of an executive director. She will 	

		work closely with the person in that position.	
Self-Generated (SGR) Report	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of the SGR Report. She explained the reason for decline in collections related to claim coding. She explained the reasons for the decline in the collections for CARP, CAHS's inpatient drug treatment program. The services have been provided; CAHSD just needs to collect. 	Dr. Kasofsky is to talk about strategy if needed at the next Board meeting.
Budget update	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jay Dardenne, Commissioner of Administrator, said CAHSD's funding wouldn't be touched this year. Dr. Kasofsky stated that she has reached out to John Schroder, Treasurer, to find out what were the objections he had against the human service districts and why other republicans felt the districts shouldn't be funded. Dr. Kasofsky wants to provide information that they wanted to know. She will have a call in 2 weeks. CAHSD's Potential Move – Board members approved this topic to be added to discussion today. She stated in a recent meeting with Commission Dardenne, he told her the value of the CAHSD Government Street property is very high at this point, if somebody offers an amount of money that we can't say no to, CAHSD will be given notice and have a year to move. Dr. Kasofsky is pulling information together and she and Mr. Sawyer will schedule a meeting in March with Baton Rouge General. At that time, she will have information re: square footage, # of offices, etc. needed. 	Dr. Kasofsky is to provide update to Board on this meeting.
Board Member Status	Dr. Kasofsky V. Pearson A. Betts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress has been made toward filling one of the East Feliciana vacancies. CAHSD forwarded the resume of person interested in representing that parish. EFP Police Jury has a meeting tomorrow night. According to staff, they are searching for someone who would be interested in representing EF Parish on the CAHSD Board and would submit that person's name for consideration. 	
Letter to Mr. S.	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CAHSD Board members received a copy of the letter sent to Ms. Simoneaux. If anyone has further questions regarding the letter, please let Dr. Kasofsky know. 	
Report from Chairman			
Board Policy Review by Direct Inspection/Board Business			
	Ms. Betts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No policy review for February. 	
Problem Gambling Resolution ACTION	Ms. Betts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board reviewed Governor Edward's proclamation re: March designated as Problem Gambling Awareness Month. Mr. Spillman made a motion for the Board to make a proclamation re: Problem Gambling. Ms. G. Hurst seconded the motion. 	There were no objections and the motion passed.
Policy Assignment	Ms. Betts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Review Assignment: V. King - Board Executive Director Linkage: Global Executive Constraint, Page 3. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. V. King stated that she reviewed the policy. It's very brief but seems adequate. She recommended no changes. 	
Next Policy Assignment	Ms. Betts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gary Spillman: Treatment of Consumers - Page 40. 	
Next Meeting	Ms. Katz	The next Board meeting will be on March 5, 2018 @ 1:00 p.m. at CAHSD, 4618 Government Street, Baton Rouge, LA.	